Claims

1. A compound according to formula (II):

$$R_1$$
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4
 R_5
 R_5
 R_6
 R_7
 R_8

wherein:

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$$\label{eq:reconstruction} \begin{split} R1 &= R' \;,\, R'C(O) \;,\, R'\;C(S),\, R'\;SO2 \;,\, R'\;OC(O),\, R'\;NHC(O) \\ R' &= \end{split}$$

X, = 0, S, NH, W, Y, Z = CH, N;

R'' = single or multiple ring substitution combinations taken from:

H, C1-7-alkyl, C3-6-cycloalkyl, OH, SH, amine, halogen;

R2, R4 = H, C1-7-alkyl, C3-7-cycloalkyl;

R3 = C1-7-alkyl, C3-7-cycloalkyl, Ar- C1-7-alkyl;

R5 = C1-7-alkyl, halogen, Ar- C1-7-alkyl, C1-3-alkyl-CONR" or Riv;

 $R^{iv} =$

where n = 1-3, m = 1-3;

 R^{v} , $R^{vi} = H$, C1-7-alkyl;

A = N, CH;

B = N, O, S, CH;

 R^{vii} = absent when B = O, S; or R^{vii} = H, C1-7-alkyl when B = N, CH;

 $R^{viii} = O, C1-7-alkyl;$

R6 = H, C1-7-alkyl, Ar- C1-7-alkyl, C1-3-alkyl-SO2-Rix,

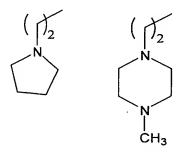
C1-3-alkyl-C(O)-NHR^{ix} or CH₂XAr;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

- 2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R2 and/or R4 are hydrogen.
- 3. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R1 is R'C(O),

- 4. A compound according to claim 3, wherein R' is fur-3-yl or thien-3-yl
- 5. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R3 is n-butyl, t-butyl, 3-(2,2-dimethylpropyl), 4-(2-methylbutyl), 4-(3,3-dimethylbutyl), 4-(3,3-dimethyl-2-methylbutyl) or 5-(2-methyl-3-methylpentyl).

- 6. A compound according to claim 5, wherein R3 is t-butyl, 3-(2,2-dimethylpropyl) or 4-(3,3-dimethyl-2-methylbutyl).
- 7. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R5 is CH₃, C₂H₅, CH₂Ar, CH₂CONH₂, (CH₂)₂CONH₂,

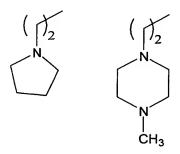


- 8. A compound according to claim 7, wherein R5 is CH3 or CH2CH3.
- 9. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R5 has (S) stereochemistry.
- 10. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R6 is H or CH₂XAr.
- 11. A compound according to claim 1, wherein

R2 and R4 = H;

R3 = n-butyl, t-butyl, 3-(2,2-dimethylpropyl), 4-(2-methylbutyl), 4-(3,3-dimethylbutyl), 4-(3,3-dimethyl-2-methylbutyl), 4-(3-methyl-2-methylbutyl), 5-(2-methyl-3- methylpentyl);

 $R5 = CH_3$, C_2H_5 , CH_2Ar , CH_2CONH_2 , $(CH_2)_2CONH_2$,



R6 = H, CH_2 -X-Ar or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

12. A compound which is selected from the group consisting of:

Furan-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]amide,

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- 1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]amide,

- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethylbutyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethylbutyl}amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [4-methyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [4-methyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-methylpentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-4-methylpentyl}amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [4-methyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethylpentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethylpentyl}amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3,4-trimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
- *H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3,4-trimethyl –1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,
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H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]- 3,3,4-trimethylpentyl}amide,

H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3,4-trimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

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H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [4,5-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]amide,

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H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-4,5-dimethylhexyl}amide,

H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [4,5-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]amide,

H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3-methyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3-methyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-methyl-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

H-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3-methyl-3-phenylbutyl}amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3-methyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenylbutyl} amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethyl-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethyl-5-phenylpentyl}amide,

1*H*-Pyrrole-3-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-

ylcarbamoyl)butyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethylbutyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethylbutyl}benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]benzamide,

N-[4-methyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

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N-[4-methyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,
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methylpentyl]benzamide,

 $N-\{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyll]-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-yl$

methylpentyl}benzamide,

N-[4-methyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-

ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-

ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-

dimethylpentyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-

dimethylpentyl}benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-

ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,N-[3,3,4-trimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-

tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3,4-trimethyl –1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-

ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3,4-

trimethylpentyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]- 3,3,4-

trimethylpentyl}benzamide,

N-[3,3,4-trimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-

ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[3,4-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-

ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[3,4-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,4-

dimethylpentyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,4-

dimethylpentyl}benzamide,

N-[3,4-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]benzamide,

N-[4,5-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-

ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]benzamide,

N-[4,5-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4,5-dimethylhexyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-4,5-dimethylhexyl}benzamide,

N-[4,5-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]benzamide,

N-[3-methyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-[3-methyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-methyl-3-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

 $N-\{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3-methyl-3-phenylbutyl\}$ benzamide,

N-[3-methyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenylbutyl}benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]benzamide,

N-[1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethyl-5-phenylpentyl]benzamide,

N-{1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethyl-5-phenylpentyl}benzamide,

N-[3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]benzamide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethylbutyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)butyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [4-methyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [4-methyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-methylpentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-4-methylpentyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [4-methyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

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Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethylpentyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3,4-trimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3,4-trimethyl –1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3,4-trimethylpentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]- 3,3,4-trimethylpentyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3,4-trimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,4-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

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Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,4-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)pentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [4,5-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [4,5-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4,5-dimethylhexyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-4,5-dimethylhexyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [4,5-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)hexyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3-methyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3-methyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-methyl-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3-methyl-3-phenylbutyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3-methyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-

3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethyl-4-phenylbutyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-4-phenylbutyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2S-methyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3S-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(2-ethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [1S-(2-carbamoylmethyl-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-3,3-dimethyl-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid {1S-[2-(2-dimethylaminoethyl)-4-oxo-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl]-3,3-dimethyl-5-phenylpentyl}amide,

Morpholine-4-carboxylic acid [3,3-dimethyl-1S-(4-oxo-2-pyrrolidin-1-ylmethyl-tetrahydrofuran-3-ylcarbamoyl)-5-phenylpentyl]amide,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 13. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to any preceding claim and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 14. A method of inhibiting the cysteine protease Cathepsin S which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.
- 15. A method of inhibiting the cysteine protease Cathepsin S which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a composition according to claim 13.
- 16. A compound of the formula IV

where

R1 is R'C(=O)- or R'-S(=O)2-R' is

X, = O, S, NH,

W, Y, Z = CH, N;

R'' = single or multiple ring substitution combinations taken from:

H, C1-7-alkyl, C3-6-cycloalkyl, OH, SH, amine, halogen;

R3 = C1-7-alkyl, C2-C7 alkenyl, C3-7-cycloalkyl, Ar, Ar-C1-7-alkyl, Ar-C1-C7-alkyl;

R4 = H, C1-7-alkyl, C3-7-cycloalkyl; C2-7alkenyl, Ar, ArC1-7-alkyl;

R5 = C1-7-alkyl, hydroxy- or halo-substituted C1-C7alkyl, halogen, Ar-C1-7-alkyl, C0-3-alkyl-CONR3R4 or R^{iv};

$$R^{iv} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\$$

where n = 1-3, m = 1-3;

 R^{v} , $R^{vi} = H$, C1-7-alkyl;

A = N, CH;

B = N, O, S, CH;

 R^{vii} = absent when B = O, S; or R^{vii} = H, C1-7-alkyl when B = N, CH;

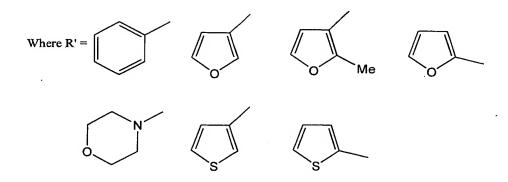
 $R^{viii} = O, C1-7-alkyl;$

R6 = H, C1-7-alkyl, Ar-C1-7-alkyl, C1-3-alkyl-SO2- R^{ix} , C1-3-alkyl-C(O)-NH R^{ix} or CH₂XAr;

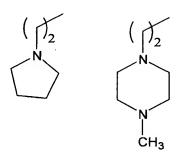
Rix is C1-7 alkyl, ArC1-7-alkyl or C3-6-cycloalkyl;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

- 17. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R4 and/or R6 are hydrogen.
- 18. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R1 is R'C(O).
- 19. A compound according to claim 18,



- 20. A compound according to claim 19, wherein R' is fur-3-yl or thien-3-yl.
- 21. A compound according to claim 19, wherein R' is phenyl having multiple substitutions selected from C1-7 alkyl, C3-6-cyclocalkyl, OH, SH, amine and halogen.
- 22. A compound according to claim 21 wherein the substitutions are at the 3 and 4 position of the phenyl.
- 23. A compound according to claim 16 wherein R3 has the S stereochemistry.
- 24. A compound according to claim 23, wherein R3 is n-butyl, t-butyl, 3-(2,2-dimethylpropyl), 4-(2-methylbutyl), 4-(3,3-dimethylbutyl), 4-(3,3-dimethyl-2-methylbutyl) or 5-(2-methyl-3-methylpentyl).
- 25. A compound according to claim 24, wherein R3 is t-butyl, 3-(2,2-dimethylpropyl) or 4-(3,3-dimethyl-2-methylbutyl).
- 26. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R3 is C3-C6 cycloalkyl.
- 27. A compound according to claim 26 wherein R3 is the side chain of L-cycohexylalanine or L-cyclopentylalanine.
- 28. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R5 is CH₃, C₂H₅, CH₂OH, CH₂Ar, CH₂CONH₂, (CH₂)₂CONH₂,



- 29. A compound according to claim 28, wherein R5 is CH₃, CH₂CH₃ or CH₂OH.
- 30. A compound according to claim 16, wherein R5 has (S) stereochemistry.
- 31. A compound according to claim 30, wherein the pyranone 4-bond also has the (S) stereochemistry.
- 32. A compound according to claim 16 wherein R5 has the (R) stereochemistry.
- 33. A compund according to claim 32 wherein the pyranone 4-bond also has the (R) stereochemistry.
- 34. A compound selected from the group consisting of

Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1S)-[3,3-dimethyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-amide

Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1S)-[2-cyclohexyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amide

(1*S*)-*N*-[3,3-Dimethyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-benzamide

(1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-benzamide

(1*S*)-*N*-[3,3-Dimethyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide

(1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide

Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1S)-[2-cyclopentyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amide

(1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclopentyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-benzamide

(1S)-N-[2-Cyclopentyl-1-(3-methyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide

- Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1S)-[3,3-dimethyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-amide
- Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1*S*)-[2-cyclohexyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[3,3-Dimethyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-benzamide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-benzamide
- (1S)-N-[3,3-Dimethyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide
- Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1*S*)-[2-cyclopentyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amide
- (1S)-N-[2-Cyclopentyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-benzamide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclopentyl-1-(3-ethyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide
- Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1*S*)-[3,3-dimethyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-amide
- Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1S)-[2-cyclohexyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amide
- (1S)-N-[3,3-Dimethyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-benzamide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-benzamide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[3,3-Dimethyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-butyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclohexyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide
- Furan-3-carboxylic acid (1*S*)-[2-cyclopentyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-amide
- (1*S*)-*N*-[2-Cyclopentyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-benzamide
- (1S)-N-[2-Cyclopentyl-1-(3-propyl-5-oxo-tetrahydro-pyran-4-ylcarbamoyl)-ethyl]-4-hydroxy-3-methyl-benzamide
- and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof
- 35. A compound according to claim 34 having the 3S,4S configuration.
- 36. A compound according to claim 34 having the 3R,4R configuration.

- 37. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 16 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 38. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 34 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 39. A method of inhibiting the cysteine protease Cathepsin S which comprises administering to a patient in need thereof an effective amount of a compound according to claim 16.
- 40. A method for the preparation of a compound as defined in claim 16, comprising the steps of manipulating the protecting groups on a suitably protected carbohydrate derivative to effect deoxygenation at the anomeric postion, introducing the R5 substituent via a ketone functionality, for example by Wittig chemistry, introducing the 4-amino group by further manipulation of the remaining carbohydrate oxygen functionality to provide a protected 4-amino-5-substituted pyranone, N-extending the amine function using peptide chemistry and adding the R'C(=0) or R'S(=0)₂ cappinggroup.
- 41. A method for the preparation of a compound as defined in claim 16, comprising the steps of diazotising an O-protected, acyclic carboxylic derivative of a suitably derivatised 3-amino-4-substituted lactone, cyclising the diazomethylketone produced to afford a protected 4-amino-5-substituted pyranone, N-extending the amine function using peptide chemistry and adding the R'C(=O) or R'S(=O)₂ capping group